

MARCH 8, 1816.

Read twice and committed to a committee of the whole House
to-morrow.

A Bill

Confirming certain lands in the county of Arkansas, in the Missouri Territory, to the heirs of Elisha Winter, deceased, to the heirs of William Winter, deceased, and to Gabriel Winter.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of*
2 *the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That*
3 *of the land conceded to Elisha Winter and sons, William and*
4 *Gabriel, by grant, dated the twenty-seventh day of June, one*
5 *thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven, by the baron Ca-*
6 *rondelet, Governor General, &c. &c. of the Province of Lou-*
7 *isiana, by concession of that date, situate in the late district*
8 *of Arkansas, in the then province of Louisiana, by which con-*
9 *cession there was granted to Elisha Winter one thousand ar-*
10 *pents square of land, to William Winter five hundred arpents*
11 *square, and to Gabriel Winter five hundred arpents square,*

12 there be, and hereby is confirmed unto the heirs of Elisha
13 Winter eighty-three thousand three hundred and thirty-three
14 arpents, and thirty-three hundredths, to be surveyed in a
15 square at the south-east corner of the tract granted to the said
16 Elisha Winter, deceased; and a like quantity in a square at
17 the south-west corner of the tract granted to William Winter
18 be, and is hereby confirmed to the heirs of William Winter,
19 deceased; and a like quantity at the north end of the tract
20 granted to Gabriel Winter be, and is hereby confirmed unto
21 the said Gabriel Winter.

1 **SEC. 2.** *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty
2 of the principal deputy surveyor for the Territory of Missouri
3 to survey, or cause to be surveyed, under his direction, the
4 several tracts of land above confirmed, and to return a plat
5 and certificate of each tract to the commissioner of the gene-
6 ral land office: and thereupon patents shall issue for the
7 several tracts of land in like manner as is provided by law for
8 patents to issue for lands purchased of the United States: *Pro-*
9 *vided,* nevertheless, that nothing contained in this act shall
10 be so construed as to give additional strength to the claims of
11 the residue of said tracts of land.